

**REMARKS**

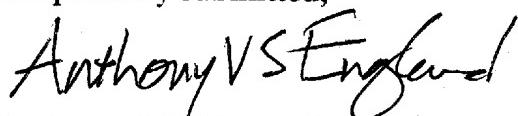
History of Case: The original application, filed October 31, 2003, included claims 1-35. The present Office action presents a restriction requirement with claims grouped as claims 1-11, 13-23, and 25-34 in Group I, and claims 12, 24, and 35 in Group II.

Action Herein: In this Response to Restriction Requirement, Applicant elects to prosecute the claims in Group I, claims 1-11, 13-23, and 25-34, without traversal, wherein the claims of Group I are to be prosecuted alone (and the claims of Group II are to be correspondingly withdrawn). No amendments are submitted herein.

**REQUESTED ACTION**

Applicant submits that the invention as set out in claims 1-11, 13-23, and 25-34 is patentably distinct, and hereby requests that the application be examined and promptly passed to issuance.

Respectfully submitted,



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